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Washburne is developing wonder-
ful proportions as a dark horse.

Colonel R. G. Ingersoll authorizes
the emphatic statement that he is not
a third term, but is for Blaine first,
last and all the time.

Not another dollar for West Point,
should be the motto of every decent
man, until the mutilation of Whittaker
is avenged and the present cor-
rupt management cleaned out.

Gen. Schofield is an unfeeling, cow-
ardly brute. He ought to be driven
from command and put at hard labor
on the Tortugas for the remainder of
his natural but worthless life.

General A. D. Straight delivered a
magnificent oration before the Vet-
eran's Association on Tuesday night.
We regret that we are unable to give
our readers the benefit of its perusal
this week.

Iowa leads off with a solid dele-
gation for the Plumed Knight, James
G. Blaine. Kentucky and Missouri
join the third term caravan; while
the old Bay State goes to Chicago un-
pledged but opposed to the third
term.

There is a good deal of local dis-
sension in some of the wards with
reference to Councilmanic nomina-
tions. We trust that all differences
may be harmonized, so that the Re-
publican party may present a solid
front at the polls. Victory will be
ours if we are united.

Hon. Martin I. Townsend, of New
York, has offered a reward of a thou-
sand dollars for the arrest and con-
viction of the persons who committed
the outrage on Cadet Whittaker. The
Leader is not rich, but it will add fifty
dollars to that amount, to be paid on
the certificate of Hon. Martin I. Town-
send. On with the crusade against
barbarism and kukluxism, as repre-
sented by that cancer on the body
politic, known as West Point.

In the great walking match in
New York, for the O'Leary belt and
championship, Hart, the colored
pedestrian, came out winner. It is
gratifying to announce, also, that be-
sides the empty honors of being
"champion walkist," Mr. Hart is
more substantially rewarded by re-
ceiving about \$18,000 as his share of
the gate money, championship purse,
etc. Hart has also made a splendid
record as a pedestrian, his score being
573 miles, beating the record of
"Blower" Brown, who had previous
to this scored the highest number of
miles of any "walkist." Pegram, also
colored, took the third place among
the contestants, and received quite a
large share of the lucre. Now if
Hart and Pegram will both invest
their money judiciously they may
become capitalists instead of walk-
ists. Let them employ their vacation
from the turf in looking up Western
mining land, in which they can put
a portion of their money "where it will
do the most good."

Elsewhere we publish a letter
from the Hon. Geo. W. Williams
which explains itself. All the facts
in the matter go to show that Mr.
Williams' conduct was right and
proper, and deserved the commendation
rather than the condemnation of
his constituents. The meeting was
entirely uncalled for, and in its com-
position and character was a libel on
the intelligence of the colored people
of Cincinnati. The speeches were
intemperate, childish and senseless.
In reading the proceedings of the
meeting one is forcibly reminded of a
lot of children trying to play men.
It was entirely in the hands of Mr.
Williams' personal enemies, who for
downright stupidity and ignorance
can not be surpassed in the country.
Of course they did Mr. Williams no
harm. They only advertised the fact
that Mr. Williams attends to the in-
terests of his constituents, irrespective
of color, promptly and effectively;
and gave him an opportunity to show

that he has done more for the colored
race than the whole kit of them.

As soldier on the field of battle, and
citizen in the arena of politics Mr.
Williams has proved his devotion to
the interests of his race. The interests
of the living are vastly more impor-
tant than the interests of the dead.
The colored children are shut out
from the High School in Cincinnati,
and yet these same fellows have been
known to yell themselves hoarse in a
political campaign for the very men
who keep up this outrage.

The facts seem to show that the
cemetery is a nuisance, and if so, in-
terments ought to be prevented—no
matter to whom the cemetery belongs.
Why do these men want to keep up
the distinction of a separate cemetery?
Why do they not hold up the hands of
their representative in his brave at-
tempt to abolish all distinctions on ac-
count of color? Instead of this one idiot
in the meeting denounced Mr. Wil-
liams because he travels like a gentle-
man and stops at first-class hotels.
Out on such

DEMOCRATIC KUKLUXISM IN CONGRESS.

The proposed unseating of Mr.
Washburn in the House, and Mr.
Kellogg in the Senate, by the Demo-
cratic majority in Congress, is a fair
sample of some of the methods used
by them in obtaining control of Re-
publican States in the South, and by
which they expect to secure complete
control of the National Government.
Their purpose is so clearly disclosed
in these two cases, that no intelligent
man can be misled as to their in-
tentions.

Mr. Washburn was elected to Con-
gress from one of the Minnesota dis-
tricts by over 3,000 majority, yet the
unscrupulous Democratic majority
avow their intention to deprive him
of his seat. Their object in this is
exceedingly clear. Though the Re-
publicans have not a numerical ma-
jority in the House, yet they have a
majority of State delegations, and
if the election of president were
thrown into that body, would choose a
Republican president. To defeat this
hazard, is now the desperate deter-
mination of the kuklux Democracy.
By turning out Mr. Washburn, they
destroy the Republican majority by
States, and thus make it possible for
the iniquitous scheme to steal the
presidency to succeed.

The action of the Democratic Com-
mittee of Elections in the Senate to-
ward unseating Senator Kellogg, of
Louisiana, is equally illegal, unpre-
cedented, and for a purpose kindred
to that for which the House is pursuing
Mr. Washburn, namely, to secure and
perpetuate Democratic ascendancy in
the government. At the time of the
admission of Mr. Kellogg in 1877,
the Democrats objected to his being
sworn in, and at the same time the
Republicans objected to the swearing
in of Hamburg Butler, of South
Carolina. The matter was compro-
mised by both being sworn in with
the distinct understanding that nei-
ther one was to be disturbed during
the term for which he was sworn in.
This was well understood by the
leading men in both parties; but now
the Democrats in the Senate, seeing
their majority growing small and
beautifully less by degrees, are will-
ing to avail themselves of any un-
scrupulous means by which they may
perpetuate their power. The indepen-
dent thinking voters, of whatever
party, can see in these measures a
sample of the means by which the
kuklux obtained untimed control of
Republican States of the South, and
it is for them to decide whether the
same kind of tactics shall succeed in
controlling the National Govern-
ment. If after all the rebel Demo-
cracy are to rule this country
through fair or foul means, what
good was there in suppressing the
rebellion. But they will not succeed.
The people are opposed to them; and
the coming election will show that
they have underrated the true
men of the North. They will
receive a backset that will
relegate them to their rightful po-
sition, that of conquered rebels.

THE WEST POINT INFAMY.

The worst feature about the ou-
trage perpetrated on Cadet Whittaker
at West Point is that the officers from
General Schofield down are engaged
in the base attempt to fix the crime

on Cadet Whittaker himself. The
whole thing is a concocted scheme to
deter colored boys from going to West
Point and when all of the facts come
out, if they ever do come out, it will
in our opinion be found that General
Schofield and his subordinate officers
are at the bottom of it. The so-called
Court of Inquiry is a sort of Inquisi-
tion instituted by Schofield to shield
himself and degrade an innocent
boy, whose only crime is the color of
his skin.

Everything that can be called evi-
dence that has thus far been intro-
duced before this so-called Court has
tended to the complete vindication of
Cadet Whittaker from the base im-
putation. We are glad to note the
indignant denunciation of this crime
and the corrupt and inefficient man-
agement at West Point that has come
up from all quarters. The press and
the people, irrespective of politics vie
with each other in bitter denunciation
of the outrage and scathing rebuke
of the corrupt management that has
tolerated, encouraged and covered up
this inhuman barbarity.

The Washington authorities, Presi-
dent, Cabinet and Congress have acted
with a promptness that is deserving
of the highest commendation. Senator
Bruce has lead off in a movement to
prevent any further appropriations
to West Point until this outrage is
avenged, and Senators and Represen-
tatives boldly assert that they will
stand by him in this movement to
punish the miscreants and reform the
management or annihilate the cursed
institution. The great American
heart believes in giving every man an
equal chance and fair play.

OUR NOBLE EXODUSTERS.

A Compliment.
In conversation the other day with
one of the most prominent citizens
of Indianapolis, a gentleman not at
all actively identified with politics,
we learned some facts that cer-
tainly do great credit to our
noble exodusters, and at the same
time furnish incontrovertible
evidence that they are just the
sort of men Indiana needs. The gentle-
man informed us that a prominent
Indianapolis banker told him that
during the last winter when our city
was thronged with these unfortunate
and destitute refugees, he loaned to a
number of them various small sums
of money, ranging from \$5 to \$25,
taking as a pledge their simple prom-
ise to replace the money as soon as
they could get some employment
which would enable them to "scrape
it together." The majority have al-
ready replaced the money. Some
who are too far away have sent the
money by mail in small sums, others
have walked long distances from the
country bringing \$2 or \$3 at a time.
One who owed \$7 sent a letter last
week stating that he had the money
all ready, but that several members
of his family were suddenly taken
sick and he had to use a part of it,
but that he would send it in "next
week." The money has since come.
These things, small in themselves,
speak volumes in favor of the Negro
race.

They utterly refute the Democratic
theory that these men have come to
Indiana for merely political purposes.
Men of such scrupulous integrity in
business transactions, would not deli-
berately lie about the causes that
impelled them to leave their homes.

GENERAL HUNTER'S WITHDRAWAL—A BOOM FOR STRAIGHT.

General Hunter, of Bloomington,
announces to the Republicans of
Indiana his withdrawal from the
gubernatorial nomination this week,
on account of the precarious con-
dition of his health. General H. was
a favorable competitor for the coveted
prize, and his withdrawal is a matter
of surprise and regret to his nume-
rous friends throughout the State. His
withdrawal greatly simplifies the
contest, and adds much to the strength
of General Straight. In fact, in the
opinion of a great many well infor-
med politicians, it really makes the
latter's nomination certain.

The Outrage.

The conduct of the Whittaker in-
vestigation has been from the beginning
an outrage and travesty upon justice. There
seems to be a conspiracy to shield the
guilty parties and ruin the "nigger." The
West Point authorities had better have a
care how they trifle with this matter, for
the patience of the people has been tested
to the utmost limit in this affair, and it
would require very little to raise a popu-
lar clamor against the institution.

Editorial Chaff.

The O'Connor Don—what is it?
The following is to be sung to long
meter:
O, for a closer walk with—Tilden and
his barrel.

Bad medicine, down East Maine Fu-
sion oil.

Harts were tramps in the O'Leary pe-
destrian match.

Senator Ben is not through with Jessie
and "little Tommy" yet.

Whom the gods love die young. They
never loved the Democratic party.

The harp of a thousand strings—Sam
Tilden's Presidential bureau of organs.

Uncle Tilden is out and walking about
among the boys with a keg under each
arm.

Senator Logan avows his determination
to "Black Jack" the Blaine boom in Illi-
nois.

American politics need an amendment—
one that will eliminate the Democratic
party.

One by one the booms do rise and fall;
Day by day the henchmen for their pay
do call.

The Straight jacket does not seem to fit
the Journal. It will doubtless wear it,
however, after June.

The Democratic party did not pass suc-
cessfully over that Bridge of Sighs, in the
recent Cincinnati election.

Campaign refrain:
Come thou "boom" of every blessing,
Teach my heart (pocket) to sing thy praise.

Give me cider, give me cider,
When I'm thirsty, give me cider.
You may have all other drinks,
Give me cider, give me cider.

The "ga-lorious" old Demo-tramp party
got some potash on its peepers in the
recent municipal elections in the central
States.

Andrew Tarter, a condemned prisoner,
escaped from the Shelbyville jail last
week. The man that catches him will
catch a Tartar, sure.

It would now be in order for some de-
feated pedestrians of the Aryan branch of
the human family to mutilate Hart, the
Ethiopic walkist champion.

Luther Benson has been taking water
straight for several days, and is con-
sequently much improved in steadiness of
gait, muscle, nerve and purpose.

Tilden has no ear for music,
Neither has he foot for dance;
But if he's railroad or politics,
He'll take a double chance.

Whom the gods would destroy they
first make mad. The Democratic party in
Indiana are as mad about the adoption of
the Constitutional amendments as wild
Malays running amuck.

What is a bureau? A bureau is a ma-
chine. A machine is a system. A system
is a method. A method is a principle. A
principle is a plan. A plan is a mode. A
mode is a—but for further particulars ap-
ply, care of S. J. T., to No. 15 Cipher Alley,
Gramercy Park, New York city.

We are informed that John Hoop, of
Shelbyville, who led a gang of Democratic
braves out to give battle to a car load of
women and children, whom they supposed
were going to stop at Shelby, left for Can-
ada immediately upon the announcement
of the beginning of the recent election
riot in that town. The riot was a fight
among men, you know.

GRAVE SUBJECT.

Card from Representative Geo. W.
Williams.

COLUMBUS, O., April 13, 1880.
To the Editor of the Commercial:
I desire to make several explanations
and contradictions in reference to the
meeting at Allen Temple last evening:

First—That I had no personal interest in
introducing the bill.

Second—It was not introduced in the
interest of the Union Baptist Cemetery.

Third—It does not abolish the cemetery,
as some of the speakers and newspapers
intimate, but requires it to be closed if it
is a nuisance.

Fourth—The statement that I ever lived
or even stopped in Richmond, Baltimore
or Vicksburg, is false. I never was in
Richmond in my life. I tried to go there
as a Union soldier in 1864, but was wound-
ed about five miles from that city and
never got there. I was never in Vicksburg
at any time, and have only passed through
Baltimore, stopping over night; the longest
time I ever spent in that city; and I would
say that I have borne a good character
wherever I have lived, which no living
man can deny.

Fifth—The reason the bill was intro-
duced and put through in haste is explain-
ed in the Columbus news in this morning's
Commercial, that the approaching warm
weather admonished them that further in-
terments should be stopped.

Now, Mr. Editor, if the Board of Health
of Avondale, and the medical men are not
to be relied upon, if they are deliberately
misrepresenting the condition of the cem-
etery in Avondale, then I can not trust any
gentleman in Cincinnati, and must regard
every petition sent me as a lie and a trap
in which to catch me.

Sixth—Mr. Graves is quite eloquent on
graves, and for diversion, refers to private
matters. I simply said I was at the Gibson
House because it was central, and repre-
senting all the people of the county in
part, I wanted to be where I could be seen,
and asked him to call. His statement is a
deliberate lie.

Seventh—As to my fidelity to my race
no man can doubt. I have labored long
and faithfully in their interest. I fought for
them in the late war and have traveled
further, worked harder and made more
speeches for them and the Republican
party than any colored man in the United
States of my age.

The meeting was largely in the hands
of my political enemies, and it did them
special good to pronounce their eulogies
over, as they think, my political remains.

I regret that any person feels hurt at my
conduct. I certainly did not mean to injure
any one; and how if the colored people
desire to turn their back upon me, let them
do as seemeth best to themselves. I am
conscious that I did what was right in my
judgment at the time upon the representa-
tions made to me. I was told that it
would be beneficial to the colored people
to sell the cemetery, and this was the main
reason I urged the matter.

Peter Clark says a gentleman said, "We

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wanted a man to introduce the bill and
George Williams seemed to be the man to
do anything that anybody put into his
hands." I must say that this is true
as far as all honest measures are concerned.
I have never attempted to do anything
wrong; but as the business men of Cin-
cinnati can testify, I have been prompt to
my correspondence, and have striven in
serve the people well and truly.
Truly yours, etc., Geo. W. Williams.

Fairness to the Colored Race.

The readiness with which people jumped
to the conclusion that the injuries sus-
tained by Whittaker, the colored cadet at
West Point, were inflicted by himself,
seemed to indicate the retention, in a
great degree, of the strong prejudice for-
merly existing among the whites generally
against the colored race.

But it must be admitted that whether
that conclusion was right or wrong, there
were very suspicious circumstances lead-
ing to its establishment.

Since the infliction of the injuries upon
this colored cadet, another event has hap-
pened which shows a disposition in the
community to justice as quickly and as
amply to the blacks as to the whites. We
refer to the winning of both the first and
the second places in a walking match
which eclipses all previous feats in pedes-
trianism, by men with African blood in
their veins.

Not a murmur has arisen, from any
quarter, of dissatisfaction at awarding to
those champions the prizes they have won.
If it shall turn out that Whittaker in-
flicted his injuries upon himself, his whole
race will suffer from his act of folly.

The men who have shown their superior
powers and strength in the walking match,
on the contrary, have done much to raise
the whole colored race in public estima-
tion. Physically superior to commands re-
spect and admiration. These two young
men having vindicated their title to this
distinction, it is ungrudgingly accorded to
them. And the event shows that color
stands in no man's way if he will only
actually do something.

Will Make Rome Howl.

[New York Telegram.]
Some time ago we published a statement
that Miss Lottie Thomas was appointed as
teacher in a school for white pupils. At
the time we were pleased to learn that in
the matter of equal rights in the school
room, Brooklyn was ahead of New York.
We have since heard that the young lady
in question has a class of colored children
in a separate room away by themselves in
the white people's school house. Now be-
fore saying another word, we propose to
visit the Brooklyn School Board and find
out the reason for this outrage upon com-
mon decency, and we will visit that Mon-
rovia school house, and if the facts are as
they are represented we will make "Rome
howl" in our next issue. If the matter is
as it is represented we will regard it as an
insult to the intelligence of colored citizens.
Brooklyn is not so poor that it's taxpayers
can't afford school buildings for its Negro
children. Since they are to be educated
apart, let them be kept from momentary
reminders of the fear of contact possessed
by others.

Cleveland (O.) News.

There will appear in next weeks issue
an account of the Exoduster concert.
The Leader can be purchased of H. C.
Smith, 81 Newton street.

On next Friday evening at Tontonia
Hall the Young Men's Social Club hold
another of their balls.

"Brother Jonathan, what dost thou
see in the dim future?" "Well, Deacon
Zachariah, I see another wedding." How
true.

The Congregational Church is to have
an exhibition soon, in which quite a num-
ber of the young men of this city intend
to take part.

The exercises of the A. M. E. Church
Literary Society on last Wednesday eve-
ning were quite interesting.

Query for ladies: If a bird in the hand
is worth two in the bush, is a mole on the
face worth two in the ground?